

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appellant:	Michael R. Smith		
Assignee:	Cisco Technology, Inc.		
Title:	Method and Apparatus for Providing Network Security Using Role-Based Access Control		
Application No.:	10/659,614	Filing Date:	September 10, 2003
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AMENDMENT & REMARKS ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated August 15, 2007, having a shortened statutory period expiring on November 15, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No amendments to the specification or drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims that begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on **page 7** of this paper.